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Week Four, Term Two, Tuesday, 22nd May 2018 Edition Two Hundred and Fifty Three.



Newcastle East is a truly wonderful learning environment and I am very proud to not only be the principal, but a member of the school community. Visitors to

our school always comment on the special quality, vibe, history and culture that exist here. Our children are the very best! Their behaviour, manners and empathy are exemplary. The way in which our children demonstrate the values of public education is a role model for all students and all human beings.

Newcastle East possesses all the components to have a truly exceptional school where best practice learning takes place and where the emotional and social needs of all children are nurtured. We have wonderful students who demonstrate outstanding qualities in all facets of school life on a daily basis at school and on excursions.

We have skilled, hardworking, energetic teachers and staff catering for the educational needs and well-being of all children who are always willing to go beyond what is required to ensure that our children experience every opportunity available to them. We have wonderfully supportive, proactive parents working in partnership, ensuring that our students have the very best resources and opportunities possible.

In Term 1 we finalised our school strategic plan, following extensive consultation with staff, students, parents and extended community. Our plan captures the essential improvements measures that the school wish to see occur over the next three years and describes the processes we will employ to achieve these. Our strategic plan is an important planning document that the

school produces so I strongly recommend it to you as reading about your child's school. A copy of the school plan was sent out via the Skoolbag app last week.

Our three directions for 2018-2020 are:

Strategic Direction 1- Continued learning growth
Strategic Direction 2- Visible and connect
learning programs

Strategic Direction 3- Collaboration and building capacity

As we implement our strategic plan, Newcastle East continues the journey towards the future and preparing our students for an ever changing, innovative world. A world where sequential thinking, enquiry based learning are important, relevant essential skills. This journey is a continuous process, ever changing, ever challenging, ever evolving and always exploring.

Our journey is about a model of excellence, demonstrating how purposeful, relevant education which prepares its students for the future impacts on educational outcomes for each child. Helping to develop and foster creativity, risk taking, independent, lifelong learners. Students engaged in the world around them and wanting to make a difference. Students who imagine the possibilities, believe in themselves and create their brightest future.

As a school and dedicated staff we will always, in partnership with our parent community, continue to define and redefine, challenge and change our pedagogies ensuring that our educational practice remains relevant and at the cutting edge. Always leading, never following, Newcastle East PS is at the forefront of education.

Mick McCann michael.mccann@det.nsw.edu.au

November Supercar Event

This year's supercar event will happen Friday 23rd of November until Sunday 25th of November. We are beginning our planning early for this principal endorsed event, so we can have systems in place and communicated these to our community.

We are looking at providing this opportunity to interested people (parents and students) in our community. This initial survey will assist in our planning for the operation of the school on the day, if there is a need for a bus run to and from school and if there is interest in the Student on Track program, run during the event.

We have had a 20% parent response to this survey so far. I am hoping to get at greater response from the parent community, so everyone has a chance to express their opinions. This survey will help guide the school's decisions around this event. It will close Friday 1st of June.

I am more than happy to meet with parents to explain the reasoning behind this decision. If you have a spare 3 minutes, could you please complete this initial survey?

https://bit.ly/2lkMF3v

New Network

As is the way in the modern workplace happen and restructures occasionally the department İS no exception. From the commencement of Term 2 we have been moved into the Regional North Network of schools. This region stretches from Katoomba to Mount Colah along the Central Coast and Lake Macquarie, up to Tea Gardens and out to Branxton. Let me assure parents that this will not change anything, our school will remain the same, intent on delivering quality education to the students of our school.

NEPS Movie Fundraiser

The Incredibles 2

WHEN: Sunday 17 June at 4pm, at Tower Cinemas on King Street

HOW MUCH: Tickets are \$10 each and can be bought online through Trybooking at

https://www.trybooking.com/378788.

WHAT FOR: To raise funds for the shade sail for the pebblecrete area for assembly.

OTHER: We need to sell at least 120 tickets for this event to proceed so please buy your tickets as soon as possible.

NEPS MOVIE FUNDRAISER – INCREDIBLES 2 Sunday 17 June @ 4.00pm – Tower Cinemas 183/185 King Street, Newcastle



Tickets \$10 each.
On sale now through trybooking at https://www.trybooking.com/378788.

Booking fee of 90 cents applies per booking (not per ticket) SO book 20 tickets and you only pay one booking fee. Invite all your friends, family and neighbours!

Kinder Enrollments 2019

We have started the process of 2019 kinder enrolments. Our school's enrolment policy is located on our school website http://www.newcastlee-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/ under parents' information.

This policy outlines how NEPS can accept enrolments in 2018 and beyond. **2018 is the last year where we can accept non-local siblings**.

For all new enrolments, you will need to complete the DET enrolment form. They are available on line at https://bit.ly/2lgXwMTor at the school office.

Friday PSSA

We will start our third round of PSSA this Friday. Our netball teams will play at National Park and our soccer team plays at Myer Park each week. Both games kick off at 1.00pm. Parents are very welcome to come along and watch. If you wish to take your child home early, please see the Mrs Thompson or Mr Daniels after their games has finished.

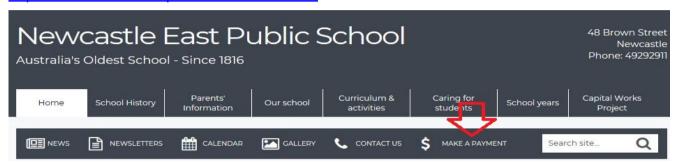
New cash handling procedures for Office

As you would appreciate the collection and banking of cash payments through the school office is a process that is time consuming and can in some circumstances pose a security risk for students carrying cash and for the staff handling banking.

For security and continuity our school office will be moving towards a more safe and streamlined payment and receipts process.

Commencing Week 5 Term 2 (next week), the post box at the front office will no longer be available for use.

We prefer that all payments be made online by following the link on the NEPS website http://www.newcastlee-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/



In the event that this is not possible or inconvenient we will be accepting cash, cheque, credit card and EFTPOS payments at the front desk between 8:15 and 9:30 AM daily. We will provide additional front office staff during this time to help make the process speedy, as we appreciate this can be a busy time of the day for parents. Please note that advance payments can be made and credited to your family's account to cover the anticipated cost of future activities and credit card payment can be made over the phone during office hours.

All notes and enquiries will continue to be accepted during the usual office hours of 8:15-3:00. Permission notes can also be returned directly to the Class Teacher.

We look forward to your feedback and patience in this time of transition and hope we can work together to create a simplified and safe payment system.

Thought for the Week



Save The Date...!

Newcastle East Public School will be hosting a 'Values and Wellbeing Summit' on Saturday 30th June, 2018. Approximate times will be between 2:00pm and 4:00pm.

We are seeking any interested community member, past and present, ex-student or anyone with a connection to the school to come and join us on the afternoon of the 30th June from 2-4pm. Please note, this event is not for current students. Current students will have their say through a process during school hours.

We will be holding a World Cafe style summit where we will pose some questions around what we value most about our school, what makes our school a special one and what values do we as a community see as important for our students and children moving forward as current and future community members.

Next steps: more detailed information regarding

registering for the event and specific times will be made available in the near future. If you would like to find out more about the event please email Todd Daniels (Assistant Principal) on todd.daniels1@det.nsw.edu.au

Entertainment Books

Entertainment books can be purchased from the school office or online at the following link:

https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbook s/343x56



Term Two Planner – This will be updated regularly here and on our school website.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
21 School Photos	22	23 Athletics Carnival – Blue Track	24	25
28	29 ICAS Science	30	31	1 June
4	5 Yr. 6 Fundraiser – K- 2 Sausage Sizzle	6	7	8
11 Queen's Birthday Weekend	12 Yr. 6 Fundraiser – 3- 6 Sausage Sizzle	13 ICAS Spelling	14 ICAS Writing	15
18 P&C / School Council Meeting	19	20	21	22
25 Author Visit	26	27	28	29
2	3 Reports Home	4	5 Basketball Gala Day	6 Last day T2

Canteen

NEPS canteen runs on a Monday and a Friday for our school.

The canteen is run completely by volunteers and any profits go back into the school. Without volunteers to work on canteen we won't be able to open. All new volunteers are trained by an experienced volunteer and it's a great way for your kids to see you involved with school.

If you can volunteer or have any questions please contact Kelly Wyman on 0421 299 611 or use you can sign up at the following sign up link https://bit.ly/2rfqXTR

CANTEEN ROSTER Term 1 2018				
Monday	Friday			
21 May	25 May			
Alexandra Pyatetskaya	Meaghan McGregor – first half			
	Chris Gooch – Second half			
	Katie Sarraf			
28 May	1 June			
Alexandra Pyatetskaya	Ingrid Beavis			
	Cecilia Cortina De Favria			
4 June	8 June			
Liz Saunders Walker	Meaghan McGregor – first half			
	Volunteer Needed – Second half			
	Chris Gooch			
11 June	15 June			
Queen's birthday long weekend	Katie Sarraf			
	1/2 Volunteers Needed Please			
18 June	22 June			
Alexandra Pyatetskaya	Melissa Weismentel			
	1/2 Volunteers Needed Please			
25 June	29 June			
Tash Ireland	Emily Brown			
	1/2 Volunteers Needed Please			
2 July	6 July			
Cass Connell	Tracey Hutchins			
	Kelly Wyman			

Good for Kids good for life

HOW MUCH PHYSICAL ACTIVITY DO KIDS NEED?

Do you know how much physical activity your child should participate in each day?

Children aged 5-12 years should spend at least 60 minutes in moderate to vigorous physical activity every day.

Moderate intensity activities include fast walking or riding a bike or scooter.

Vigorous intensity activities make you 'huff and puff' and

include running, chasing and playing tag, and organised sports such as soccer or netball.



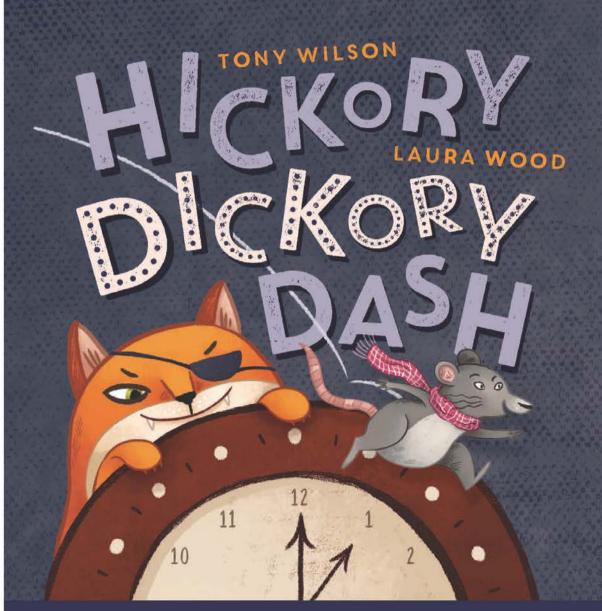


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National Simultaneous Storytime WEDNESDAY 23 MAY 2018











Dear active school,

Hey my name is Coach Guy Onley Head Coach of The CoalFace Strength and Conditioning Gym in Newcastle's CBD.

We are looking for schools interested in getting their kids off the Xbox and IPad and into some functional movement to improve their ability to manage stress and be healthy and active.

We currently run an after school kids program from 3:30 till 4:15pm Wednesday afternoons, teaching kids how to move with sound mechanics and guarantee we will leave them wanting to move more often and come back for more.

If this is something that you think would be great for your students we ask if you could kindly share to your parents through the school newsletter or email networks.

Alternately if you would like to access any of our services or arrange a sports day event for your students please don't hesitate to contact us.

Hope to hear from you soon.

Guy Onley Head Coach CrossFit CoalFace 6-8 Hall street Newcastle 2302 M 0412 225 309

www.crossfitcoalface.com.au







Athletics Carnival Canteen Menu

<u>Snacks</u>		Hot Foods	
Red Rock Chips	\$1.50	Sausage Rolls	\$2.50
Popcorn	\$1.00	Mini Pies	\$1.50
Cheese &			
biscuits	50c	Spinach &	\$2.50
		Ricotta rolls	
Muffins	\$1.50		
Finger buns	\$1.50	Sauce	30c
		Water bottle	\$1.00



Join Newcastle City Council in celebrating World Environment Day by taking part in a month long series of activities! Let's work together to protect our marine life and keep our coastline beautiful and plastic free. Together we can make a difference!



DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Sunday 27 May	12:30pm - 3:00pm	LOOKING BETWEEN THE GRAINS How clean are our beaches? Find out at the Stockton Beach Community Clean Up using a micro plastic sieve (all ages - family friendly)	Stockton Beach (front of SLSC)
Tuesday 5 June	6:30pm - 8:30pm	SANDY STORIES OF STOCKTON BEACH Delve into an international and local problem - micro plastics and discover the life lurking in the sand of Stockton Beach (all ages)	Stockton RSL (29 Douglas Street, Stockton)
Thursday 7 June	6:30pm - 8:30pm	SANDY STORIES OF NEWCASTLE BEACHES Delve into an international and local problem - micro plastics and discover the life lurking under your sandy toes (all ages)	Newcastle City Hall (Hunter room)
Saturday 9 June	10:00am -12:00pm	THE HIDDEN LIFE OF SAND A 'hands on' investigation of life in the sand with the University of Newcastle (all ages -family friendly)	Stockton Beach (beach side of Lynn Oval)
Saturday 23 June	9:30am - 12:00pm	LIFE AT LOW TIDE Ramble through rock pools with experienced naturalist, John Simpson to discover fascinating intertidal life (all ages - family friendly)	The Cowrie Hole (meet Newcastle Baths carpark)
Thursday 28 June	6:30pm - 8:30pm	'BLUE' FILM SCREENING (PG) With an introduction and discussion by Tim Silverwood from Take 3 for the Sea (all ages)	Tower Cinemas (King Street, Newcastle)
Saturday 30 June	10:30am, 11:30am 12:30pm, 1:30pm	WHALE TALES Listen to educator Jeannie Lawson talk all things whale whilst watching these ocean giants swim past (all ages -family friendly)	Bar Beach Lookout
Saturday 7 July	9:30am - 12:00pm	PLASTIC FREE LIVING - SEW EASY! Celebrate Plastic Free July by dropping in to our family friendly sewing session to make your own reusable drawstring veggie bags (all ages - family friendly)	Newcastle Library (The Space - Level 1)

All these events offered by Newcastle City Council are free! To register email sljohnson@ncc.nsw.gov.au or phone 4974 2733



